CLAIMS

1   1.   In a speech recognition system, a method of completing user input comprising:

2   (a)   receiving a user input, said user input specifying an attribute of a

3   selection;

4   (b)   comparing said user input with a set of selections in said speech

5   recognition system;

6   (c)   limiting said set of selections to an available set of selections which

7   correspond to said received user input; and,

8   matching a received user spoken utterance with said selection in said available

9   set of selections.

1   2.   The method of claim 1, further comprising repetitively performing steps (a), (b),

2   and (c) of claim 1 until said available set of selections is consistent with predetermined

3   selection criteria.

1   3.   The method of claim 1, further comprising:

2   notifying a user when said available set of selections is consistent with

3   predetermined selection criteria.

1   4.   The method of claim 1, wherein said attribute specifies one or more characters.

1   5.   The method of claim 1, wherein said attribute specifies a text word or phrase.

1   6.   In a speech recognition system, a method of completing user input comprising:

2   (a)   receiving a user input, said user input specifying an attribute of a

3   selection;

4   (b)   comparing said user input with a set of selections in said speech

5   recognition system;

6   (c)   limiting said set of selections to an available set of selections which

7   correspond to said received user input;

8   repetitively performing steps (a), (b), and (c) until said available set of selections

9   is consistent with predetermined selection criteria;

10   notifying a user when said available set of selections is consistent with

11   predetermined selection criteria; and,

12   matching a received user spoken utterance with said selection in said available

13   set of selections.

1   7.   A system for completing user input comprising:

2   a buffer for receiving one or more user inputs and one or more user spoken

3   utterances;

4   a set of selections for comparing with said user spoken utterance;

5   a limiter for filtering said set of selections to an available set of selections based

6   upon said user inputs, each said user input specifying an attribute of a selection within

7   said available set of selections; and,

8   a speech recognition engine for processing said user spoken utterances.

1 8. The system of claim 7, wherein said attribute can specify one or more characters

2 or a text word or phrase.

1 9. A machine readable storage, having stored thereon a computer program having

2 a plurality of code sections executable by a machine for causing the machine to

3 perform the steps of:

4   (a) receiving a user input, said user input specifying an attribute of a

5 selection;

6   (b) comparing said user input with a set of selections in a speech recognition

7 system;

8   (c) limiting said set of selections to an available set of selections which

9 correspond to said received user input; and,

10   matching a received user spoken utterance with said selection in said available

11 set of selections.

1 10. The machine readable storage of claim 9, further comprising:

2   repetitively performing steps (a), (b), and (c) of claim 9 until said available set of

3 selections is consistent with predetermined selection criteria.

1 11. The machine readable storage of claim 9, further comprising:

2   notifying a user when said available set of selections is consistent with

3 predetermined selection criteria.

1   12.   The machine readable storage of claim 9, wherein said attribute specifies one or

2   more characters.

13.   The machine readable storage of claim 9, wherein said attribute specifies a text

word or phrase.